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Title: SUSTAINED RELEASE VERAPAMIL PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPOSITION FREE OF FOOD EFFECT AND A METHOD
FOR ALLEVIATING FOOD EFFECT IN DRUG RELEASE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2003, Applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination. Prior to examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. The shortened 3-month statutory period for response is due to expire on September 30, 2003.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in light of the following amendments and accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.